
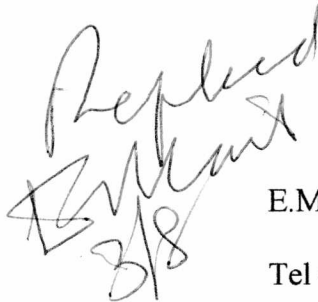


Maurice
These were sent
to me & ought to be
in 'archives'
They were B & B guests


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Mr and Mrs Hill
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Dear Mr and Mrs Hill,

I apologise for not writing before now and enclose the various photocopies as promised.

No explanation is needed regarding the Pub and former Workhouse.
Regarding the lorry it is almost certain to have been driven by my Uncle Ern Ovenden who worked for Yeomans of Bridge, his widow my Aunt Em has a watercolour of the photograph in her drawing room, she as you know lives at Churchill House Bridge.

The photographs of the First war Sappers were stationed in the Bridge area and my Father is in the back row fourth from the left. The back of the card reads "to show the boys where you may see.....? The photograph was taken by a Tankerton Firm

The photographs of the Firemen possibly of Bridge is in such poor condition so I am trying to get it restored.

The copy of my Mothers School leaving certificate is also enclosed.

With regard to the story (My Last Op) I do not know who the Airman was but from my records there was a Herbert William Graham who lived in Ilford who during the Second War served as a Lancaster Rear Gunner, bailed out over France and walked home via Spain for which he got a gong.

In a regimental group photograph May 1917 my Father was with the 494th Field Royal Engineers who were probably stationed in or near Bridge.

We were most impressed by the Bridge Parish Plan, on Page 27 the group photo shows my Aunt Em in front row wearing a bright red dress

My Grandfather William Isaac Ovenden, my Grandmother Emma Jane Elizabeth Ovenden and one of their daughters my Aunt Grace Ovenden are all I believe buried in Bridge Churchyard (without benefit of headstones) My Grandfather and my Aunt Grace in the 1960's and my Grandmother in the 1950's but sadly I do not know dates.







<i>Overden</i>	<i>Overden</i>	<i>Mourgate</i>
age 13 years		

The Certificate is required for the following purpose, namely:—

Dated this _____ day of _____ 19____

Signature _____

Address _____

Occupation _____

WHEREAS by Section 134 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, it is enacted as follows:—“ Where the age of any young person under the age of sixteen years, or child, is required to be ascertained or proved for the purposes of this Act, or for any purpose connected with the employment in labour or elementary education of the young person or child, any person shall, on presenting a written requisition, in such form, and containing such particulars as may be from time to time prescribed by the Local Government Board, and on payment of a fee of sixpence, be entitled to obtain a certified copy under the hand of a registrar or superintendent registrar, of the entry in the register, under the Births and Deaths Registration Acts, 1836 to 1874, of the birth of that young person or child; and such form of requisition shall on request be supplied without charge by every superintendent registrar and registrar of births, deaths, and marriages.” NOW THEREFORE, We, the Local Government Board, in pursuance of the powers given to Us by the Statutes in that behalf, hereby Order as follows:—

ARTICLE II.—The requisition to be made to entitle any person to obtain a certified copy of an entry of a registry of birth under the section above-cited shall be in the Form set forth in the Schedule to this Order.

ARTICLE III.—This Order shall come into operation on the Fifteenth day of April, One thousand nine hundred and ten.

GIVEN under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board, this Fifteenth day of March, in the year One thousand nine hundred and ten.

(Signed) JOHN BURNS, *President.*

(Signed) WALTER. T. JERRED, *Assistant Secretary.*

